

Nevada State Health Division Technical Bulletin



Topic: Senate Bill 420

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TO: Health Care Providers and Public

The purpose of this bulletin is to notify all health care providers and the public of recently adopted statutes affecting licensed health care providers.

On June 3, 2011 Governor Brian Sandoval signed into law Senate Bill 420 (SB 420). SB 420 requires a facility for intermediate care, facility for skilled nursing and residential facility for groups to adopt a written policy which establishes the length of time it will hold a bed when a patient or resident is temporarily transferred for medical reasons. The facility must inform the patient or resident of this policy upon admission.

In addition, SB 420 requires a facility for intermediate care and a facility for skilled nursing to post their licenses in a conspicuous location. Information concerning the organizational structure of the management of the facility and contact information for the administrator, owner or operator must be posted in a conspicuous location within a residential facility for groups, facility for intermediate care and a facility for skilled nursing.

This law becomes effective July 1, 2011 and there will be no new regulations as a result of the law.

For detailed information, please go to http://leg.state.nv.us/Session/76th2011/Bills/SB/SB420_EN.pdf

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